New Mexico Portales Field Office
FY 2004 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Windbreaks

Applicant: _____ Date: _____ Total Points: _____

Farm No.: _____ Tract No.: _____ CMS Field No's. _____

1. Resources Concern - 320 Potential Points

Potential points will be multiplied by one of the following factors: by 1 for one row of trees, by 1.5 for multiple rows of trees of the same species, or by 2 for multiple rows of trees composed of multiple species.	Potential Points	Factor	Points
Soil Erosion: Wind			
Protect farmstead from soil erosion originating on adjacent cropland or rangeland.	50		
Protect cropland/public road.	30		
Air Quality: Undesirable Air Movement			
Windbreak barrier around AFO/CAFO.	10		
Animal Wildlife: Inadequate Cover/Shelter			
Establish food/cover for targeted wildlife species.	40		
Animal Wildlife: Inadequate Water			
Wildlife water facilities.	20		
Animal Domestic: Inadequate Shelter			
Protect livestock or livestock facilities.	10		
	Total		

2. Other Considerations - 45 Potential Points

	Potential Points	Benchmark Points	After Points
A. At risk species are in the area and the contract will enhance habitat for the species.	15		
1. Lesser Prairie Chicken--certified active lek site within 2 miles of tract.			
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	10		
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active sec. 319 project.	10		
D. This land is within a NMED designated Category I watershed.	10		
2. Other Considerations	**Total**		

**   Funding will be provided to higher ranking scores.

***   Total points will be adjusted based on the total feet of buffer planned. The following procedure will be utilized. For example, if buffer is 250 feet in length, multiply accumulated points by .250 (referred to as length modifier). If planned buffer is 2560 feet in length, multiply points by 2.560, etc.**

Length of buffer = _____

Total points = _____   **X Length Modifier** _____

_____ **ADJUSTED ENVIRONMENTAL POINTS**

_____   _____
Producer   Date

_____   _____
Designated Conservationist   Date